

Eisenhower Warns Against Present Borders Must Remain

Yehuda Yudin, Member of the Histadrut Central Committee.

Today's Postbags

The Weather

Forecast: Variable amounts of high and medium clouds. Weather: Breezy. A hard rain from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A cold front extends from Central Turkey to Tehran, moving eastward.

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Jerusalem	58	45
Haifa	55	42
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Tripoli	43	30
Cairo	40	27
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Communism Declines in W. Europe

Elections Deal Grave Blows to Party

LONDON (AP)—The most spectacular setback for the Communists in Western Europe in 1955 was suffered by the French party in the recent elections, but it was only part of a pattern of fairly general decline which has been going on since the end of the war.

Since 1945, the Communists have lost an estimated 1,500,000 active party members and another 1,700,000 electors. The Communist vote in the 1955 French elections fell from 18,500,000 in 1950 to 12,500,000 in 1955.

The Italian party has kept its election supporters, but lost about half a million active members by splits and purges following the Khrushchev indictment of Stalin, and the Hungarian uprising. In 1955, membership had reached 2,000,000. In April 1955 the party's national council admitted that the number had fallen to 1,700,000.

In France, the main trade union organization, the General Confederation of Labour, is led by Communists and claims membership of 5.5 million, though the anti-Communist Social Democratic and Christian Unions say effective membership is only half this figure.

At the last election, in May 1954, the Communists polled 4,705,517 votes compared with 5,121,822 votes in 1953, the only Communist party in the West, apart from Finland, to improve its electoral position. It won 140 seats in the Chamber of Deputies, three fewer than in 1953. Poverty in Italy, particularly in the South, is a chief cause of the Communists' continued strength.

Banned in 1948

West Germany: The party was banned as unconstitutional in August 1949, but has carried on a ceaseless underground campaign, financed from East Germany.

In the first post-war free elections in August 1949, the Communists won 1,200,000 votes and 15 seats in the Bundestag (Lower House of Parliament). By September 1953, shortly after the East German revolted against the Communist rulers, the Communist vote fell to 611,318 and the party secured no representatives in Parliament.

In 1948 the West German party had about 180,000 members. At the time of its outlawing in 1949 this figure had been cut to 70,000.

Post-war Communist influence in the trades unions has always been relatively light, with the moderate Social Democrats holding the main positions of power.

Belgium: During 1955 the Belgian party suffered two heavy electoral defeats. In the June general elections the Communists lost 10 seats in the Chamber of Representatives were reduced to two. In popular support, the Communists got 100,113 votes or 1.4 per cent of the total poll, whereas in 1946 they won 23 out of the 202 seats in the Chamber. In the municipal elections in October, the Communists lost more heavily than any other party.

Holland: The Dutch party, which polled half a million votes in 1946 and won 10 seats in the Second Chamber of Parliament, is now reduced to two hostile groups of four and three members in the smaller group holding the official party. The larger dissident group was expelled from the party after the 1953 election. The smaller group, known as the "Rightist" plot to seize control.

In the last elections, in 1953, the Communists got 272,167 votes, a fall of 50 per cent in 15 years. Party membership, which was reported to be 130,000 ten years ago, is now believed to be about 60,000.

Denmark: The Danish party received its gravest blow only a few weeks ago, when Aksel Larsen, 61-year-old leader, was expelled for "Titoism." In 1948 the party got 225,236 votes and won 18 seats in the Folketing. In 1953 the vote had fallen heavily and only six Communists were elected. Party membership stood at 55,000 in 1945 but is now estimated to be 11,000.

MUSICAL DIARY

Music Magazine

"TITEL v'omer" is the title of a small musical magazine, now going into its second year, which is put out by the Education Department of the Haifa Municipality in conjunction with the Haifa Symphony Orchestra. Under the editorship of Moshe Goral, it is full of interesting material for our young music enthusiasts.

The latest number includes some articles on the occasion of Handel's Bicentenary, an article on the viola da gamba and reports on the activities of the I.P.O., the Israel Opera, the Haifa Orchestra, the opening of the Rubin Auditorium in Jerusalem and the AML Library in Tel Aviv. Reports by youngsters, letters, riddles and other items round out the magazine, making it a valuable outside Haifa as well. It can serve as a constructive material for young music pupils and a good complement to the "Journal des Jeunes Musiciens d'Israel," which is aimed at more advanced musical enthusiasts.

Chopin Competition

The sixth international Chopin piano competition, to be held in Warsaw from February 2 to March 13, 1956, is open to all pianists between 16 and 30 years of age. The last date for filing applications is October 31, 1955. Information on the prizes and the terms of the competition, as well as the other events taking place in Warsaw, in connection with the Chopin centenary, can be had on Sundays and Fridays at the office of Mr. E. Amirani of the Ministry of Education and Culture, 6 Auerbach Street, Tel Aviv.

Abroad

DAVID Bar-Ilan, the young Israeli pianist who appeared here last summer under the baton of Dmitri Mitropoulos, gave a recital at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York this month. The New York "Herald Tribune" called him an extraordinary virtuoso.

Bar-Ilan appears at Carnegie Hall in February under the baton of Leopold Stokowski and will play a New York Philharmonic concert to be held at the Waldorf Astoria for the benefit of the American Fund for Israel Institutions and in honour of Leopold Stokowski. In May and June he will go on another Latin American tour.

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NATURE NOTES

Rats on Trees

A FRIEND in Haifa had for some time noticed huge brown rats performing gymnastics on his trellis, and walking on light poles on bougainvillea branches from one cypress tree to another. He trapped one on his open terrace, and from his description I think it must be the Norwegian rat (*Rattus norvegicus*—*Rattus edwardsi*). He says that all during the summer they played him with their tails and even then they nibbled bark too. Whether they were after nestlings in the cypress was not clear, but why else should they climb trees?

In late summer a large black snake (*Coluber asper*—*Coluber bishahevi*) appeared in the garden and seems to have eaten some and frightened off the others.

Rats, strangely enough, are still something of a headache to the zoologist intent on classification, as their colour varies so much, and only tests in interbreeding could show whether the different individuals belong to separate species or are just colour varieties. The worm headache that rats used to cause doctors and farmers— they carry plague bacilli and they eat and contaminate stores of all kinds— is now more or less cured, however; several most efficacious poisons quickly make an end of them. Chicken farmers—who suffered especially from their depredations—suffer no longer from them at all.

PEN FRIENDS

MRS. CAROL HENKINSON, 95 South Main Street, Middletown, Conn., U.S.A., would like to correspond with a woman living in Jerusalem who can write Russian. She is 70 years old, has hobbies as music, painting and the study of psychology and religion.

Visitors' Gallery: Goodwill Mission

Cambodians Get to Know Israel

WE had a border dispute with one of our neighbours recently. They occupied one of our Holy Places—an ancient temple—right on the frontier, in breach of a long-established agreement, and diplomatic relations between us were broken off. With another neighbour there are sometimes disputes about the day-to-day contacts here.

The composition of the delegation gives a clue to the problems and interests which Cambodia shares most closely with Israel.

Led by Mr. Poe Thieun, Counsellor of the Cambodian Embassy in Paris, it includes Mr. Bin Bamy, Assistant Director-General of his country's Agriculture Ministry; Mr. Ly Kim Heng, Director General of the Cambodian Royal Office of Cooperation; and Major Sivath Methav, military attaché in Paris.

Cambodia, with a population of about five million, is a country with an ancient heritage which has only recently regained its independence. Two-thirds of its territory is covered by forests; its main products, largely exported to neighbouring Far Eastern countries, are rice, maize, cattle, timber and pork.

Like Israel, it is working hard to develop itself and to improve its standard of living of its people. It may have a natural wealth in its extensive virgin territory, but there has been no time yet to prospect it thoroughly, let alone exploit it.

Although enjoying a monsoon climate, Cambodia, again like Israel, has for somewhat different reasons, has a water problem. Mr. Poe Thieun explains: "For six months of the year we have too much rain; and for the other six months, too little. We have to adopt modern methods to even out our water resources through the year." Irrigation and water conservation are topics to which the delegation will pay close attention while in Israel.

Cooperative methods in agriculture is another topic. About two years ago a number of rural co-operatives were established in Cambodia, each serving farmers who are often scattered over a wide area. Mr. Kim Heng French, head of the two military members of the delegation, is also interested in Israel's co-operation and reserve forces.

Young Cambodians at present serve for a year with the colours, during which time they have to familiarise themselves—much like the Israeli soldier of bygone years—with arms and equipment originating from a bewildering variety of sources including France, the U.S. and Britain.

Trade prospects will be considerably enhanced when a deep-water port, now under construction with French aid at Sihanoukville, on the Gulf of Siam, is completed. How far commercial relations with Israel might figure in future plans will be one of the things which the delegation is now exploring.

In the same way, diplomatic relations between the two countries are also a subject for study. Here, Mr. Poe Thieun points out, the obstacles are lack of trained diplomatic staff and the considerable expense involved in maintaining embassies and legations abroad. While Cambodia has missions in Tokyo and Washington, the envoy accredited to France, for example, also has to serve as his country's representative to Italy, while the mission in Moscow covers Prague and Warsaw as well.

The "miracle of Israel," as one of the members of the mission put it, and the great strides which this country has made since achieving independence have not gone unnoticed in Cambodia, any members of the mission, information and publications concerning Israel have been eagerly sought out by this country in the last few years, and the Premier, Prince Norodom Sihanouk, has expressed particular interest. It will be recalled that in December, 1954, Mr. Moshe Sharret spent several days in Phnom Penh, Cambodia's capital, as guest of the Prince. During Mr. Sharret's Asian goodwill mission; this was the first contact between leading personalities of the two countries.

The visit of the delegation is essentially a fact-finding mission—could well be decisive in transforming this interest, on both sides, into practical co-operation in a number of spheres.

ANTHONY GOODMAN



POE THIEUN



COL. SUTSAKHAN

Readers' Letters

I.P.O. BROADCASTS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post Sir.—The most important musical events in Israel are the I.P.O. broadcasts. The Philharmonic Orchestra, Kol Yisrael, allots 45 minutes each week, on Sunday nights, to recordings of parts of I.P.O. broadcasts, and recently concerts that took place months ago.

When the country is thrilled by the visit of the great tenor, Jan Peerce, why not broadcast one of his concerts? Now, when all Israel is talking about the genius of Glenn Gould and those who cannot attend an I.P.O. concert would like at least to hear him over the radio, we get a recital by Jan Peerce on some other night, an interesting and important work during the I.P.O. broadcast.

Why are there no more live I.P.O. broadcasts? Incidentally, I should like to mention the low fidelity of the I.P.O. broadcasts recorded by Kol Yisrael, in comparison to the excellent recordings of our orchestra made by Columbia and Decca. The concerts of the small Kol Yisrael Orchestra, broadcast from the Y.M.C.A. generally sound much better than the recordings of the I.P.O. from the Mann Auditorium in Tel Aviv.

Yours, etc., E. GROSS

Kol Yisrael Replies

Kol Yisrael agrees with Mr. Gross' opinion that the dates of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra broadcasts should be as close as possible to those of the actual concerts. We have therefore decided to discontinue the advance publication of details of the I.P.O. broadcasts, which was based on the recordings carried out a month before. In future, the programme will feature works recorded in the week immediately preceding the broadcast. Kol Yisrael will make every endeavour to give these programmes the widest publicity possible.

However, we beg to differ with Mr. Gross' view, as implied in his letter, that the appearance of big-name artists from abroad are the most interesting items in the I.P.O. programmes. In our opinion, I.P.O. performances of Hindemith's "Mathis der Maler" or Brahms' Fourth Symphony are "important musical events in Israel" in their own right which should not be withheld from our listeners for the sake of the sensational appeal of a famous name.

Kol Yisrael's time schedule does not allow for live I.P.O. broadcasts for the time being, since the concerts start at 8.30 p.m., while the main evening news bulletin is broadcast at 9.00 p.m. However, the question of live I.P.O. broadcasts is receiving Kol Yisrael's fullest attention, with a view to finding a solution to the problem.

The balance of the recordings of the I.P.O. concerts in the Mann Auditorium is very much on our minds and though it is not satisfactory yet, we want to state that definite progress has been made. We should also like to remind Mr. Gross that the acoustics of the Auditorium have met with considerable criticism by the concert-going public as well.

Lastly, we would like to mention that one cannot possibly compare the acoustic qualities of a commercial recording with that of one made at a public concert. In any

case, the I.P.O. recordings issued by Columbia, as well as their first Decca records, were not made at the Mann Auditorium.

However, we feel that there is room for improving the quality of our I.P.O. broadcasts and we can assure our listeners that we are doing everything possible in this respect.

Kol Yisrael appreciates Mr. Gross' genuine concern for its programmes and his constructive criticism.

Yours, etc., KHARTAL PETERSHKA, Assistant Director of Programmes (Music), Israel Broadcasting Service, Jerusalem, January 2.

I.P.O. CONCERTS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post Sir.—I am one of the many disappointed music lovers who for lack of sufficient tickets did not receive a subscription to the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra this year.

But I am indignant that the Philharmonic should offer the first two days' sale of tickets for the recitals of visiting artists to subscription members only, when these members have heard the same artists in their subscription concert.

Why not give some chance to others who couldn't get a subscription? I propose that these people who waited in vain for some months to get a subscription, should at least get the first ticket to special events.

Yours, etc., L. FETTERMAN, Ramat-Chen, December 16.

A copy of this letter was sent to the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra but no reply has been received.

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